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VIA CM/ECF

Hon. Robert Pitman
U.S. District Judge
501 West 5th Street, Suite 5300
Austin, TX 78701

cc: all counsel of record

RE: *Ericka Holmes v. University of Texas at Austin*, Civil Action No. 1:24-cv-1135; In the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin Division

Dear Judge Pitman:

Please be advised that I will be on parental leave for approximately 12 weeks beginning March 3, 2025. During this time period, I respectfully request that no hearings, conferences, or other court appearances, or deadlines be scheduled. I would also request that no discovery take place during this time period.

Should you need to contact me during this time, please feel free to contact my legal assistant, Shanda Green, at lashanda.green@oag.texas.gov or (512) 936-1875. Thank you for your attention and assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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